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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TETSUYA SAITO ET AL. ) : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
Application No.: 10/559,705 ) : Art Unit: 2861  
Filed: October 11, 2006 ) : Confirmation No. 1862  
For: RECORDING APPARATUS AND )  
RECORDING METHOD ) : August 3, 2007

Commissioner for Patents  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant requests a refund of \$200.00 for an additional independent claim fee, which was charged to our Deposit Account 06-1205. It is requested that the refund be applied as a credit to that Deposit Account. The reason for the refund is explained below.

On October 11, 2006, Applicants responded to a Notification of Missing Requirements. At that time, Applicants paid for 20 total claims and 4 independent claims, and included an additional claims fee of \$200.00, as required by the Notification. A copy of the Electronic Patent Application Fee Transmittal is attached. Although the \$200.00 fee was paid as four (4) "claims in excess of 20", it should have been listed as one (1) "independent claim in excess of 3." Note the attached Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office.

The Patent Office's Monthly Statement of Deposit Account, dated December 2006 (copy attached), indicates that Deposit Account No. 06-1205 was charged the fee of \$200.00 for an additional independent claims fee. Applicants respectfully request a refund of \$200.00 for this fee. That is, although Applicants did owe \$200.00 for the one extra independent claim, they should have been credited \$200.00 for the fees erroneously paid for extra total claims.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby request a refund and authorize the Commissioner to credit Deposit Account No. 06-1205 in the amount of \$200.00 to correct this matter.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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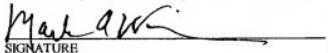
## Electronic Patent Application Fee Transmittal

<b>Application Number:</b>	10559705			
<b>Filing Date:</b>				
<b>Title of Invention:</b>	Recording apparatus and recording method			
<b>First Named Inventor:</b>	Tetsuya Saito			
<b>Filler:</b>	Lawrence A. Stahl/Anna Massimo			
<b>Attorney Docket Number:</b>	03500.018190			
Filed as Large Entity				
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<b>Claims:</b>				
Claims in excess of 20	1615	4	50	200
<b>Miscellaneous-Filing:</b>				
Oath/decl > 30 months from priority date	1617	1	130	130
<b>Petition:</b>				

Description	Fee Code	Quantity	Amount	Sub-Total in USD(\$)
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<b>Extension-of-Time:</b>				
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>				
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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTN: U.S. DOCKET NUMBER 03500.018199
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/IP2004/008493	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 10, 2004	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>RECORDING APPARATUS AND RECORDING METHOD</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED June 12, 2003
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Tetsuya SAITO, et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>		
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</li> </ol>		

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)	TIONAL APPLICATION NO.		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER
The following fees are submitted:			
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22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provision of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) .....	\$100		PTO USE ONLY
All other situations .....	\$200		
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International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office .....	\$400		
All other situations .....	\$500		
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Total Claims	19-20 = 0		x \$ 50
Independent Claims	4- 3 = 1		x \$200
<b>MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)</b>		+\$360	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		\$1100.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.		\$	
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property		+\$	
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c. <input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.			
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.			
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, NY 10112-3800			
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